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Title: VERTICAL TAPER FABRICATION PROCESS  
OF A NARROW BAND WAVELENGTH  
DIVISION MULTIPLEXER

Art Group Unit: 1765

Examiner: Tran, Binh X

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO THE EXAMINER'S OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action dated June 4, 2003, designated as Paper No. 7, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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